

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

HB 232

March 30, 2011

SUMMARY OF BILL: Deletes the authority of a facility licensed with the Department of Mental Health (DMH) to use a licensed private investigation company to conduct mandatory criminal history records checks on all employees who have direct contact with or direct responsibility for service recipients.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Does not apply to agencies licensed by DMH that contract with the Department of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities to provide services.
- All criminal history records checks will be performed by the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation (TBI) or the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI).
- Currently, the regional mental health institutes and the residential intervention program currently use TBI as its source to conduct criminal history records checks. There will be no change in the current cost for state facilities.
- According to DMH, it is unknown how many of the 650 non-state licensed facilities use a private investigation company or how many employees will require the criminal history records checks. It is also unknown how many will use TBI, rather than the FBI, to conduct the records checks.
- Any additional costs incurred by TBI to perform the records checks will be reimbursed by the facilities requesting the checks. The net state fiscal impact will not be significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "James W. White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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